Corps of Engineers Response to Katrina and Rita

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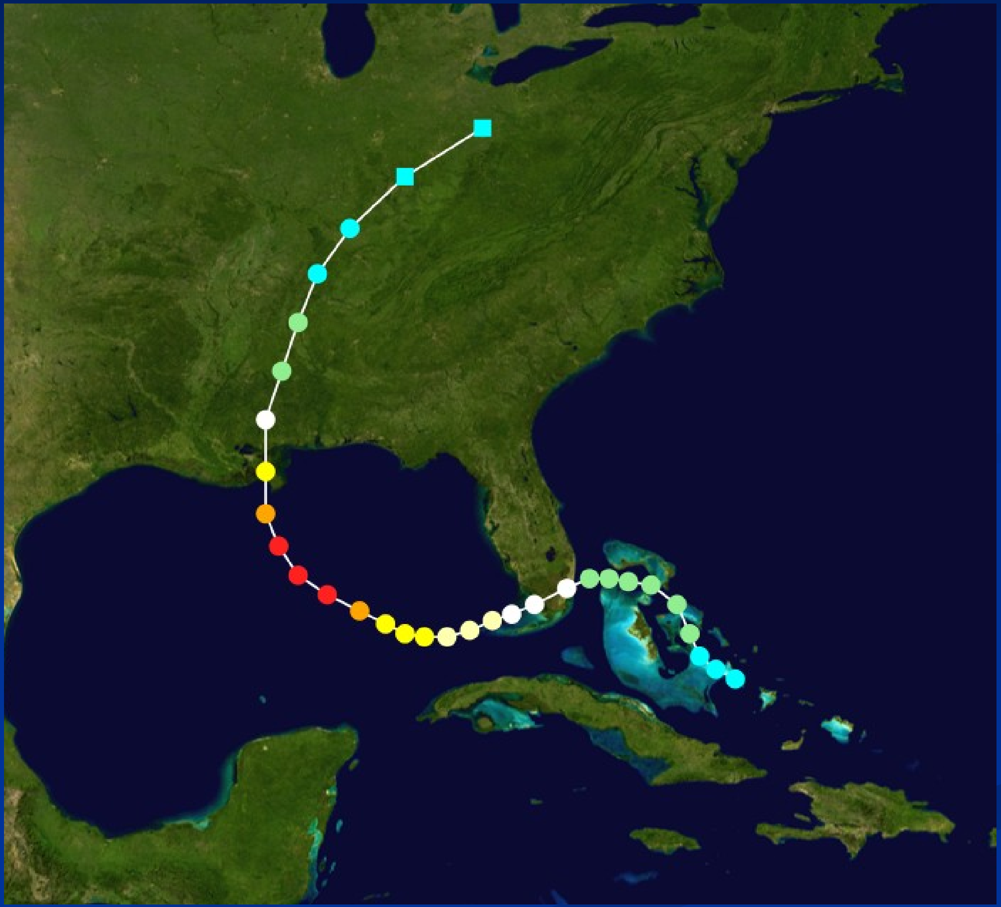
Corps Role in Disaster Response

Hurricane Katrina

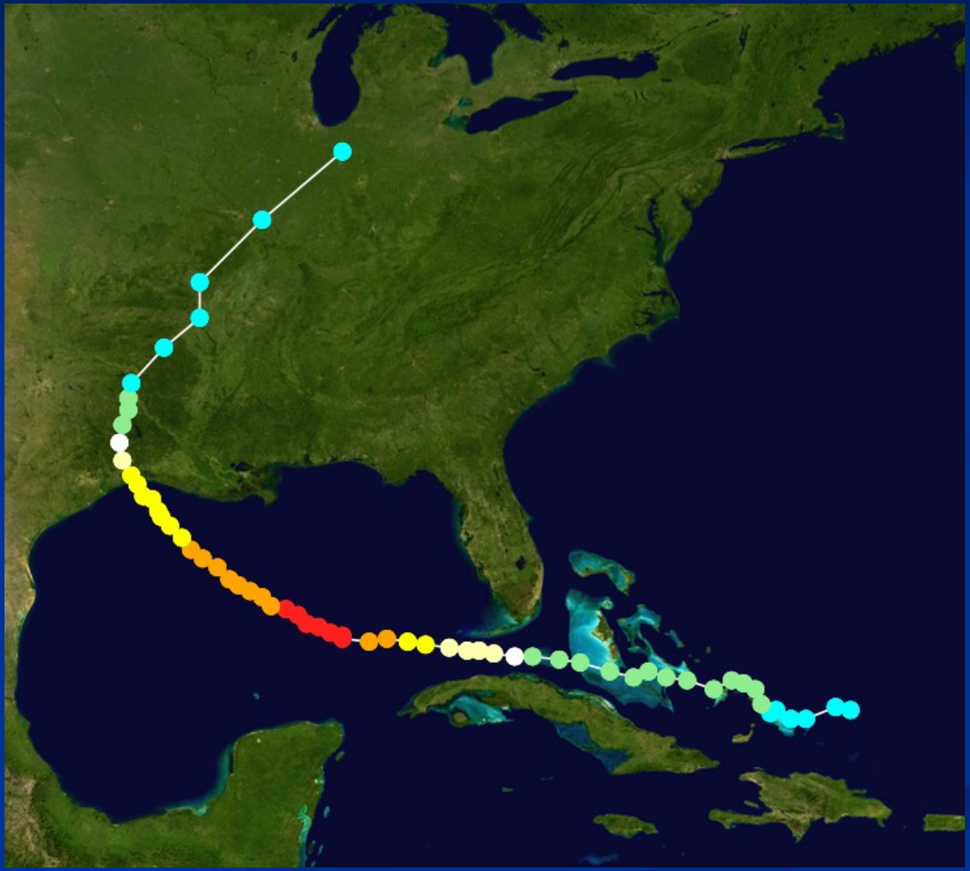
- Made landfall on August 29th, 2005 as a Category 3 (was Category 5) storm with winds up to 125 mph and a storm surge of up to 22 ft
- Caused an estimated $75 billion in damages (costliest hurricane in U.S. history)
- Killed 1,418 people (deadliest hurricane since 1928)



Corps Role in Disaster Response

Hurricane Rita

- Made landfall on September 24, 2005 as a Category 3 (was Category 5) with winds up to 125 mph and a 7 ft storm surge in Texas (15-20 ft in Louisiana)
- Caused an estimated $9 billion in damages
- Killed 6 people directly and 113 indirectly
- Re-flooded parts of Louisiana hit by Katrina



Corps Role in Disaster Response

- Support to FEMA as an Emergency Support Function (ESF)
  - Planning and Response Teams (PRT)
  - Communications via the Deployable Tactical Operations System (DTOS)
  - Geographic Information System (GIS)
  - Hired Labor
  - Logistics
  - Technical Assistance

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EMERGENCY OPERATIONS

Role of Team Leader Cadre

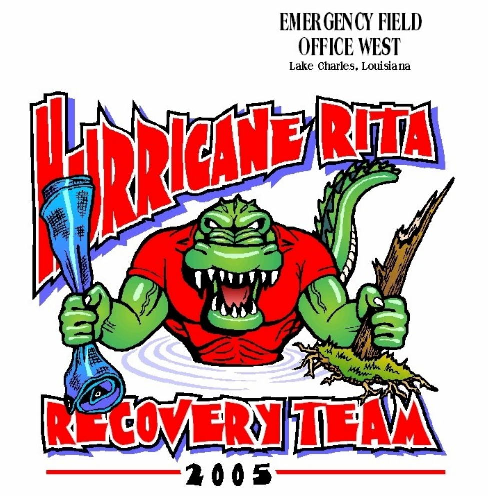
- Joint Field Office:
  - Broker the Missions with FEMA
  - Coordinate Missions with State Governments
  - Assign Mission Taskings to supporting Corps Divisions

- Home Office:
  - Coordinate Deployment of Volunteers
  - Supervise the Buffalo District’s PRT, Structural Safety Assessment

Planning and Response Teams (PRT)

Louisiana Recovery Field Office
The Face of the Corps

- Blue Roof
- Debris
- Ice
- Structural Safety Assessment
- Temp. Housing/Public Build
- Temp. Power (249th)
- Water


EMERGENCY FIELD OFFICE WEST
Lake Charles, Louisiana
HURRICANE RITA
RECOVERY TEAM
2005

Buffalo District PRT

- Structural Safety Assessments (SSA)
  - Deployed to:
    - City of New Orlea
    - Plaquemines Pari
    - Cameron Parish
    - Vermilion Parish
    - Calcasieu Parish

SSA-PRT

- Role is Different for each Parish…be flexible

- New Orleans – Managed Contractor Inspections
  - Applied Technology Council, Field Manual: Safety Evaluation of Buildings After Windstorms and Floods (ATC 45)
- Other Parishes – USACE performed inspections
  - Used a modified procedure similar to ATC 45 but focused on Repairable/Demolition Evaluation

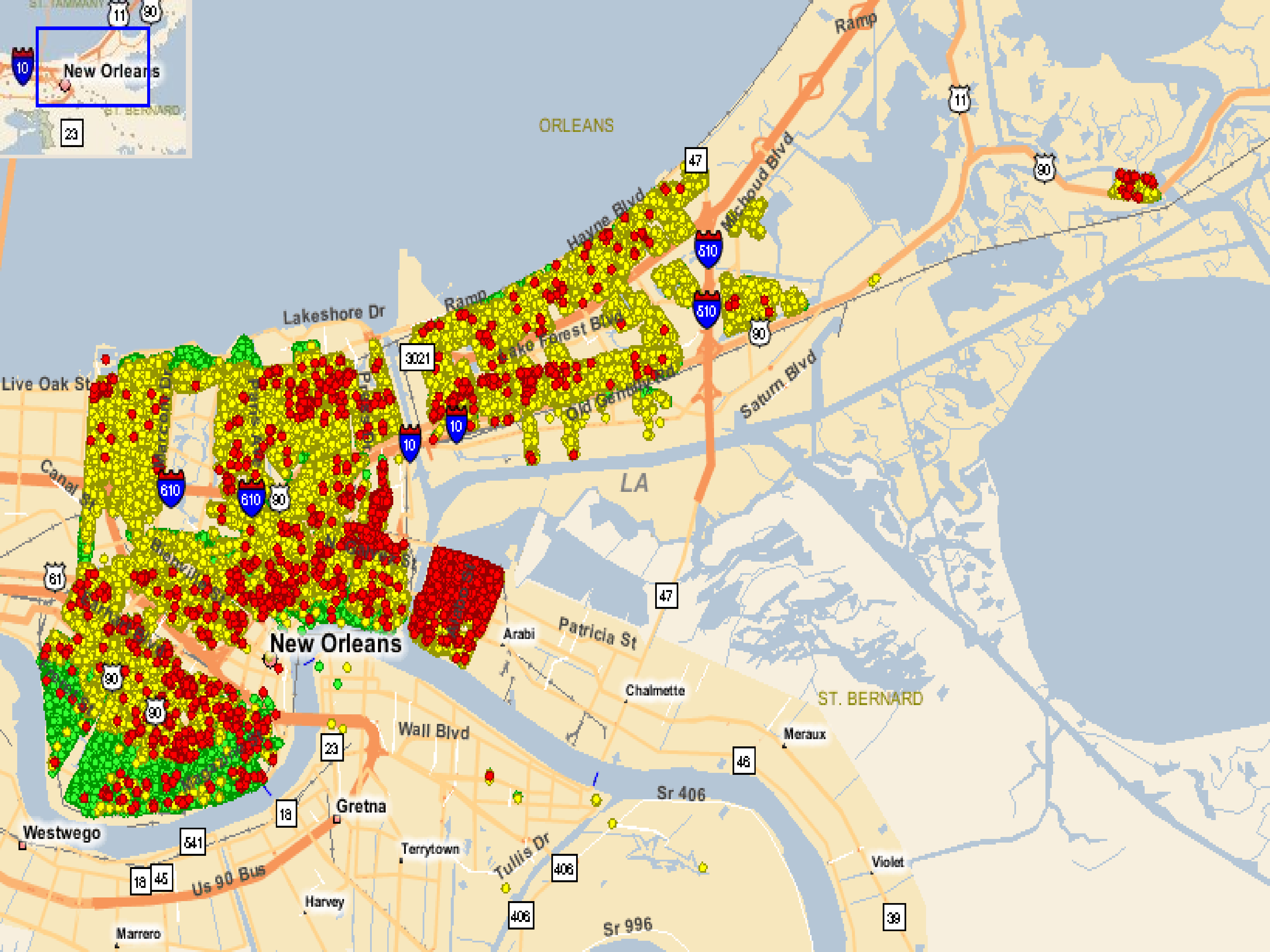
SSA – New Orleans

- Trained Inspectors
- Assigned Work to Temporary City Inspectors under contract from the Shaw Group
- Performed QA check
- Reported results to

City, Corps, and FEMA

- Ensured customer w

satisfied with product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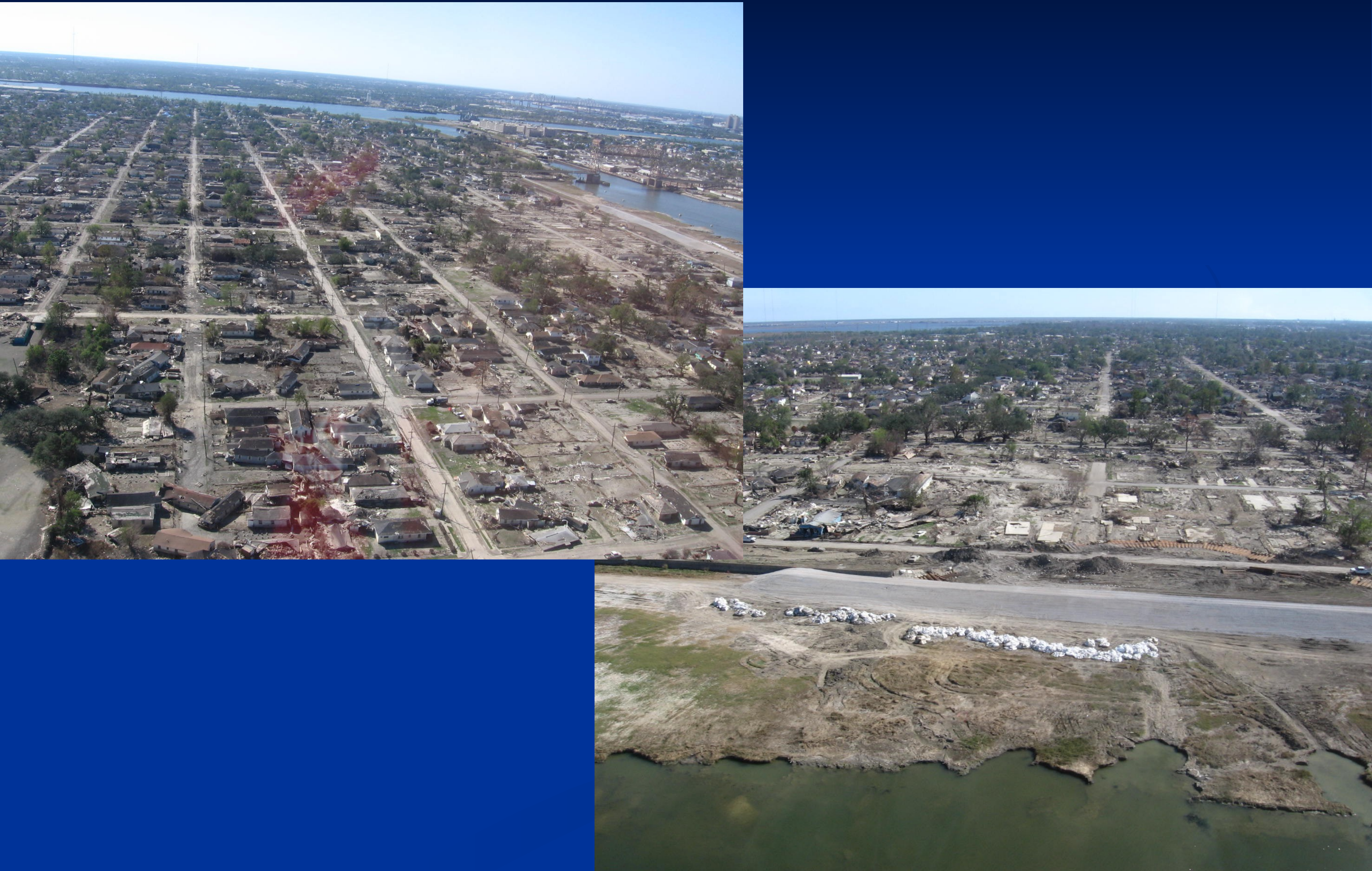
SSA – New Orleans



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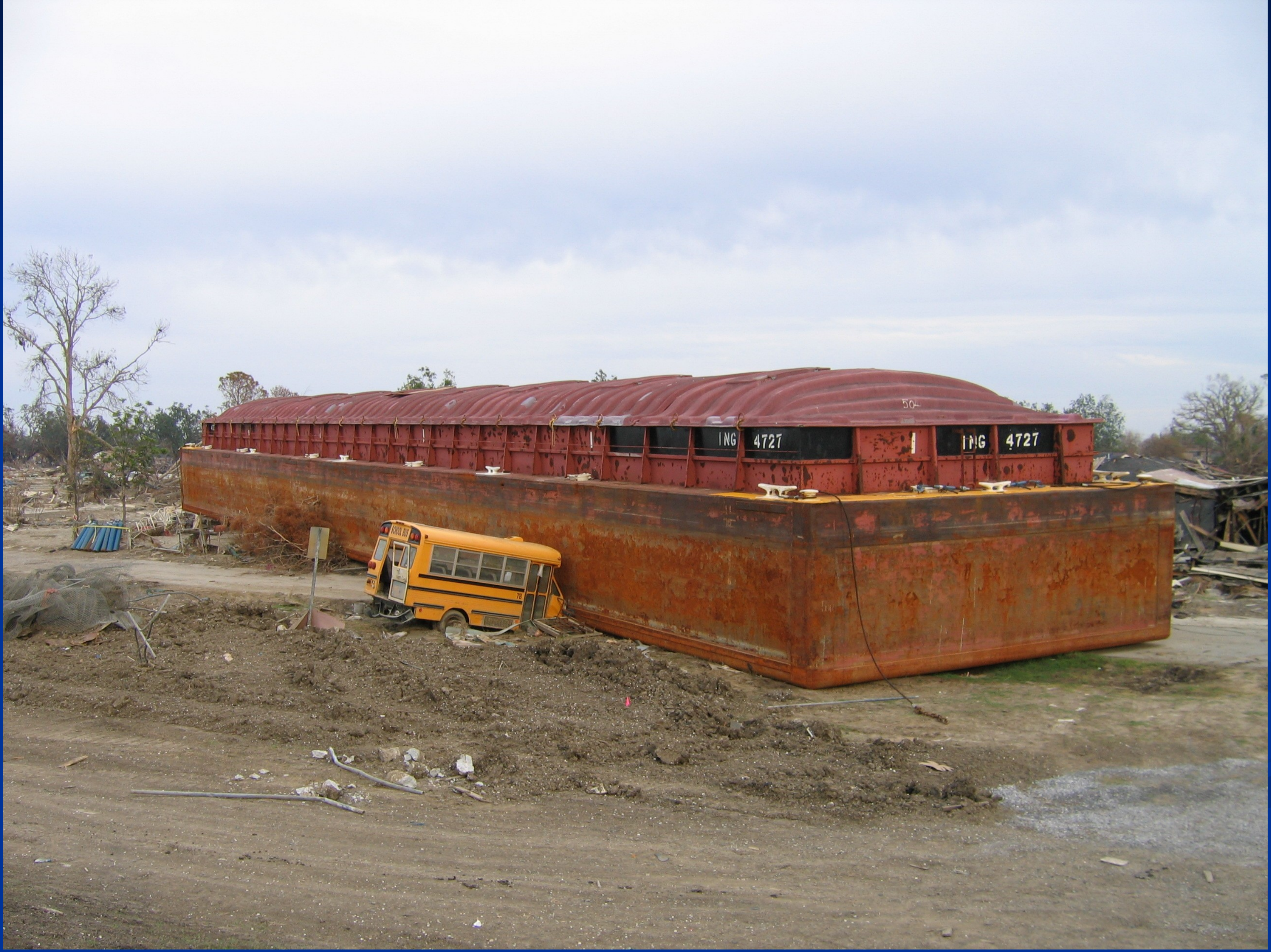
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SSA – New Orleans

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Emergency Operations

SSA – Cameron

- Managed Corps of Engineers Inspectors, in this case inspectors came from Alaska District
- Obtained GIS Mapping – Engineer from Philadelphia District
- Performed Inspections with Ride Along FEMA representative
- Provided results to Parish, Corps, and FEMA

SSA – Cameron

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EMERGENCY OPERATIONS
US Army Corps of Engineers

NO SMOKING
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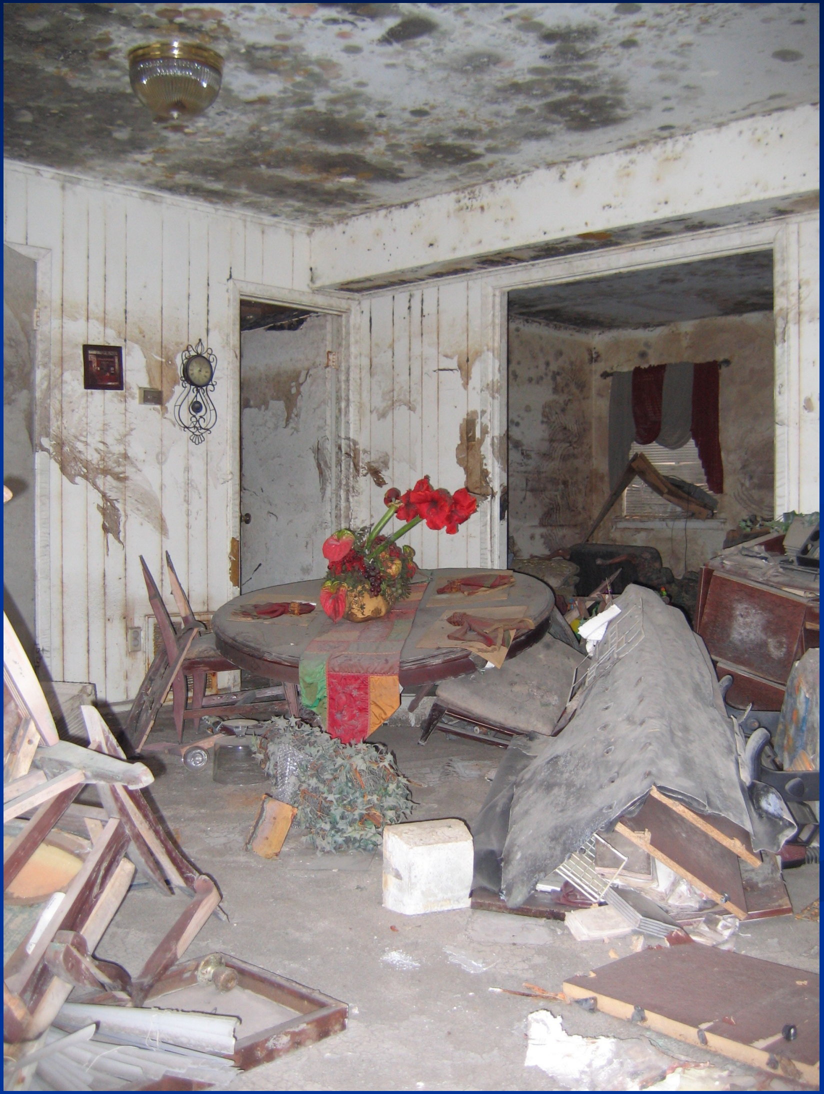
ENTRANCE
32
MANDATORY HAND



SSA – Plaquemines

- Managed Corps Inspectors
- Obtained local maps
- Coordinated inspection requirements with Parish Engineer
- Performed Inspections, visual, rapid and detailed
- Provided results to Parish, Corps, and FEMA

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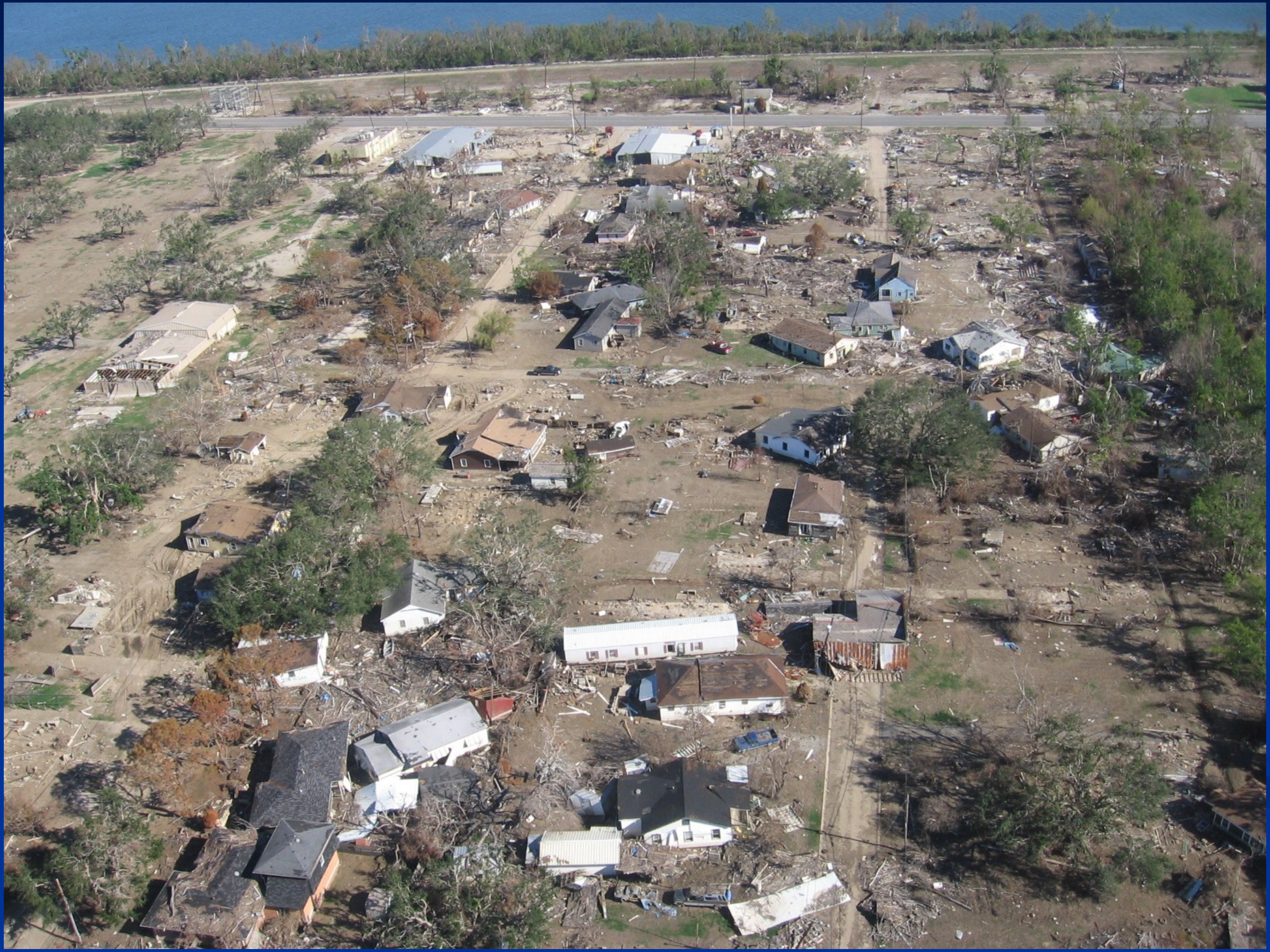

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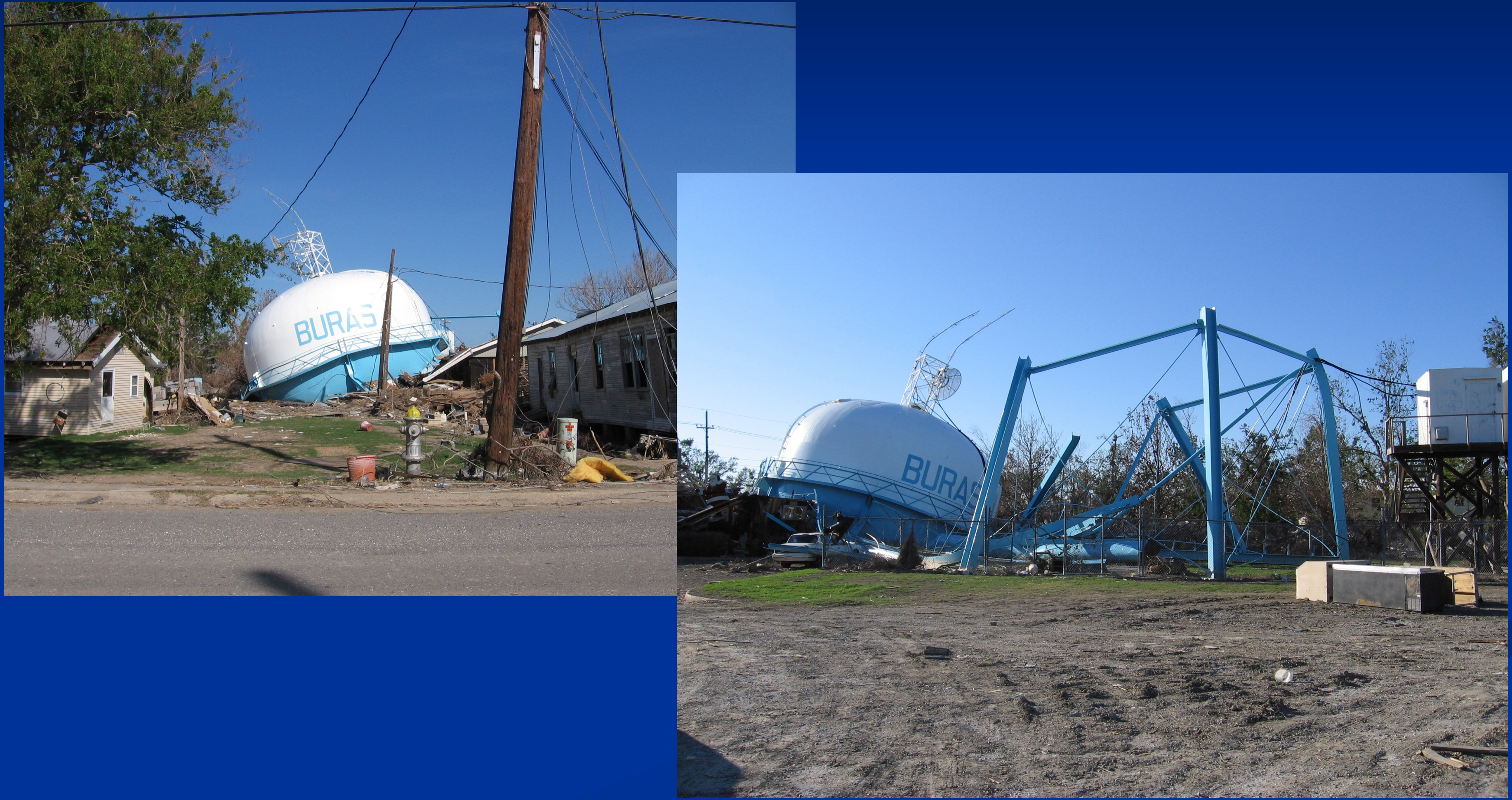
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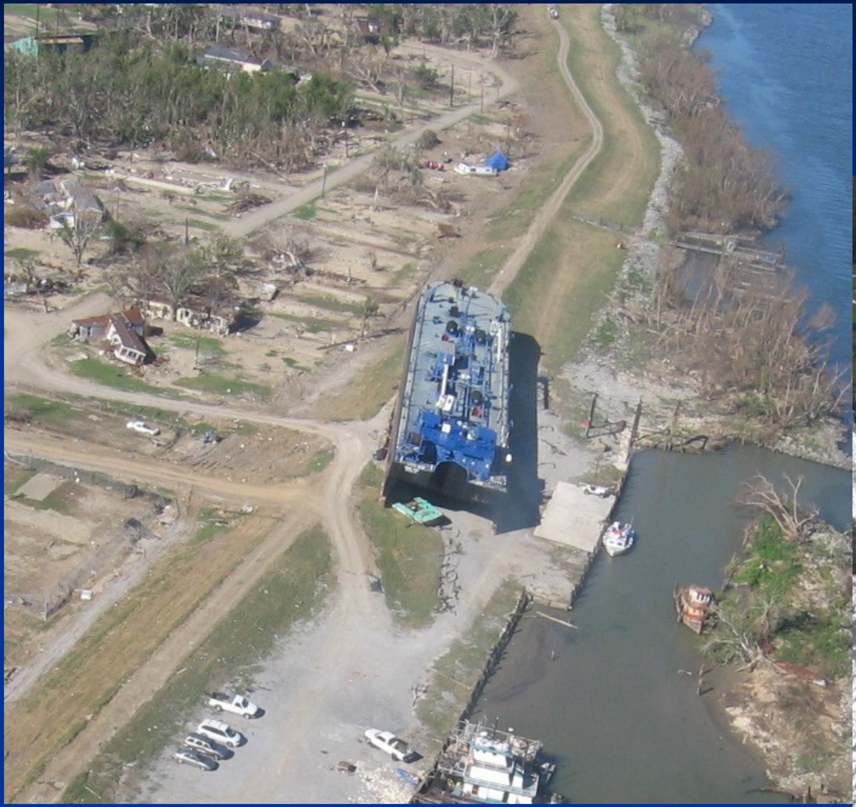

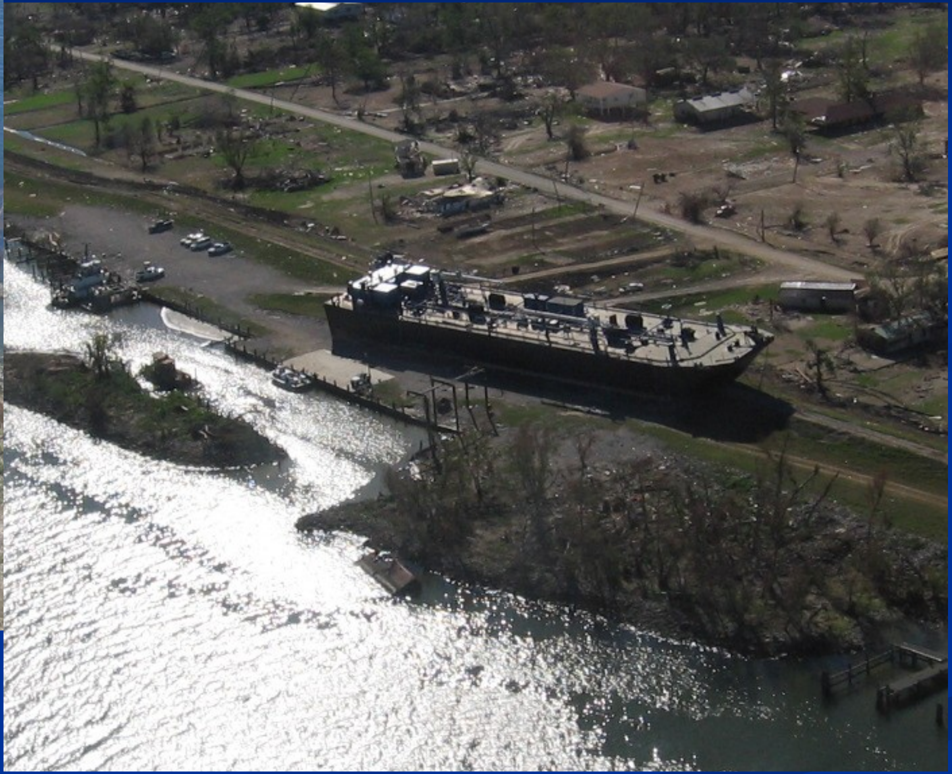

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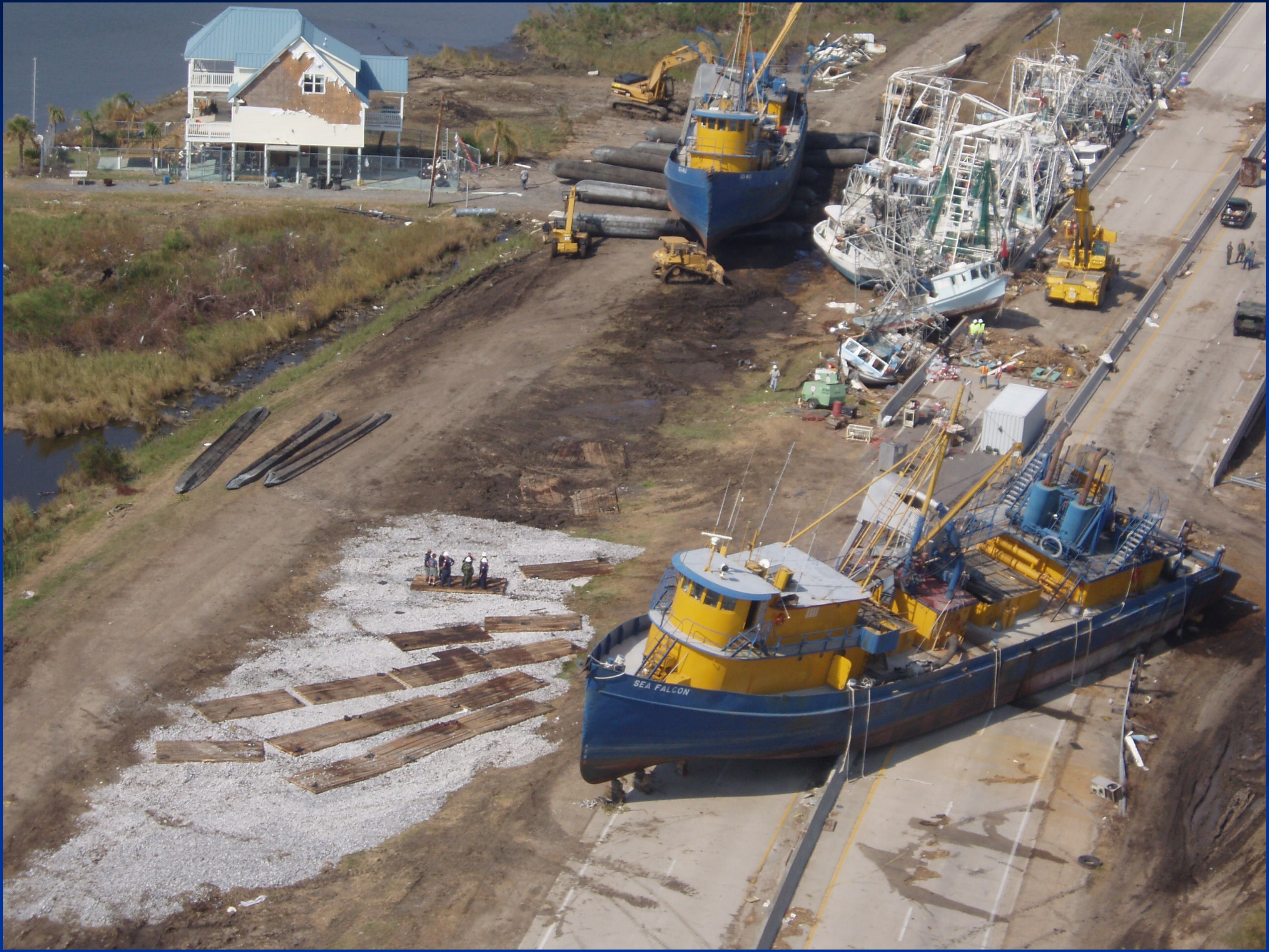

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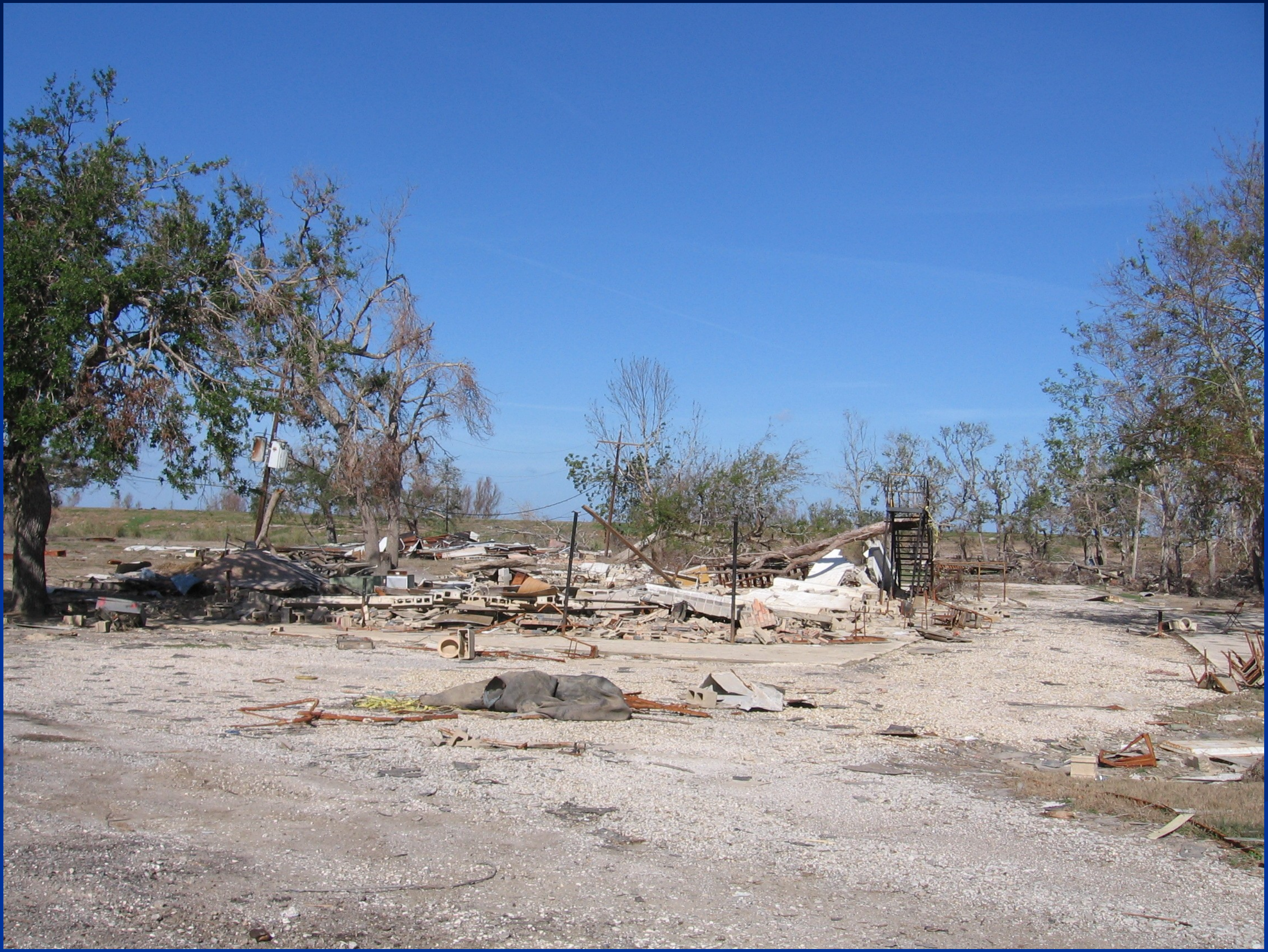
Visual Inspections

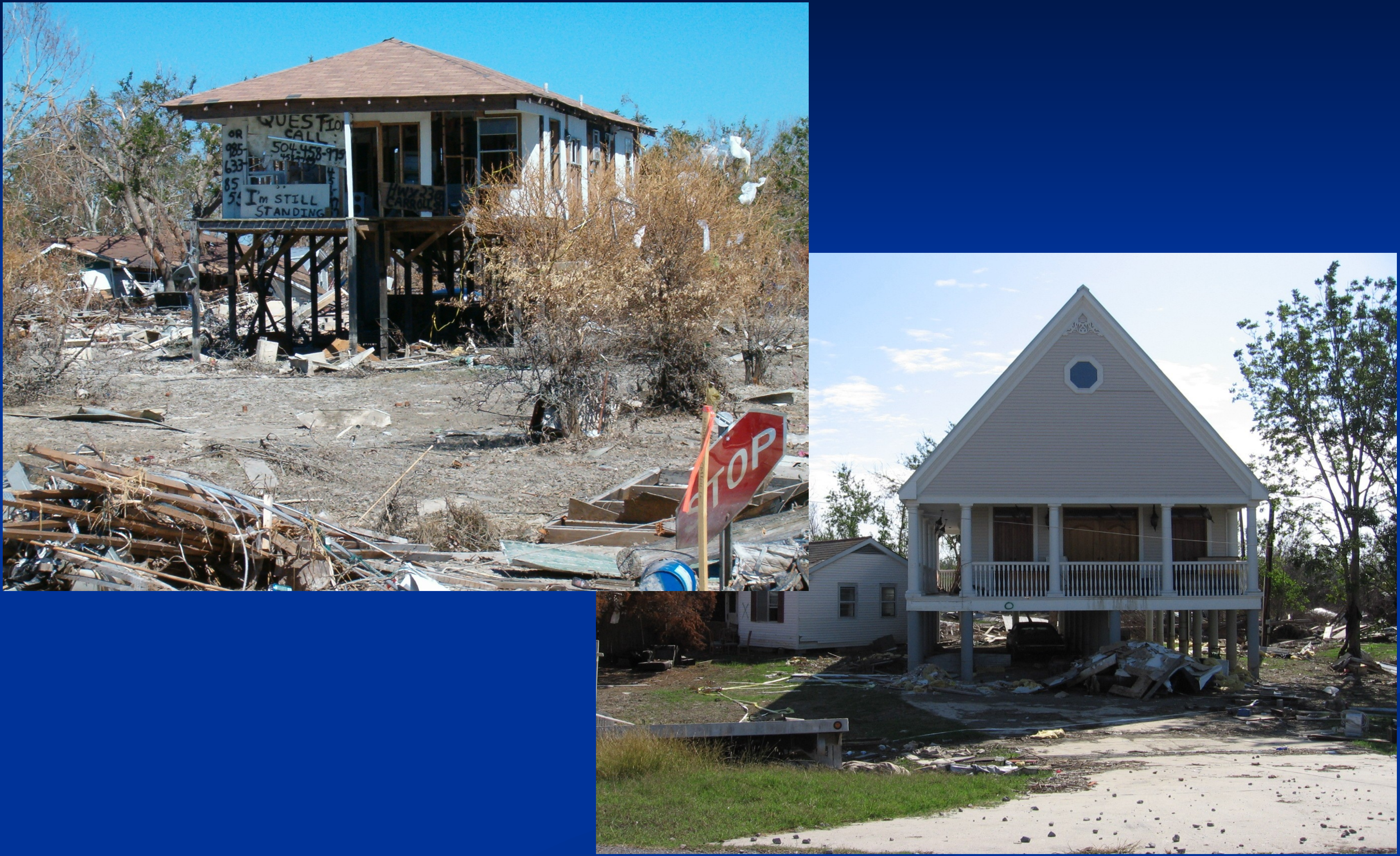


SSA - Plaquemines

Rapid Assessment

SSA - Plaquemines

Detailed Residential Assessment


QUESTION CALL
504-458-97
OR 985-633-85
I'm STILL STANDING
STOP

SSA – Vermilion

- Managed Corps Inspectors
- Coordinated inspection requirements with FEMA representatives
- Performed Inspections, did a sweep of homes south of a coordinated damage line drawn from maps of the parish
- Provided database of inspections to Parish, Corps, and FEMA

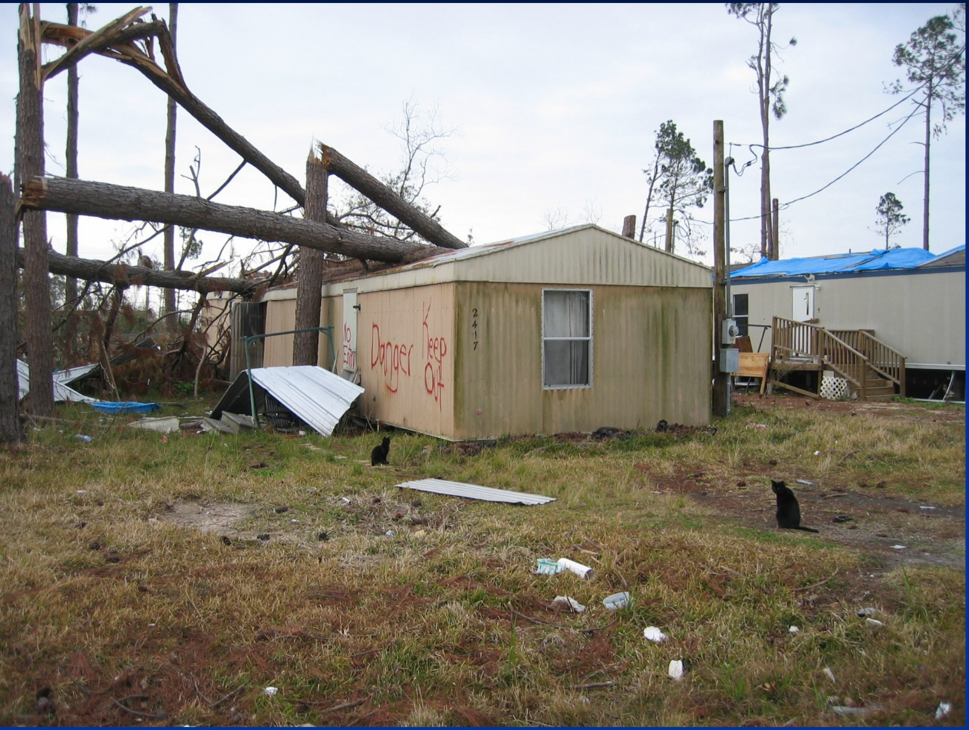
SSA – Vermilion

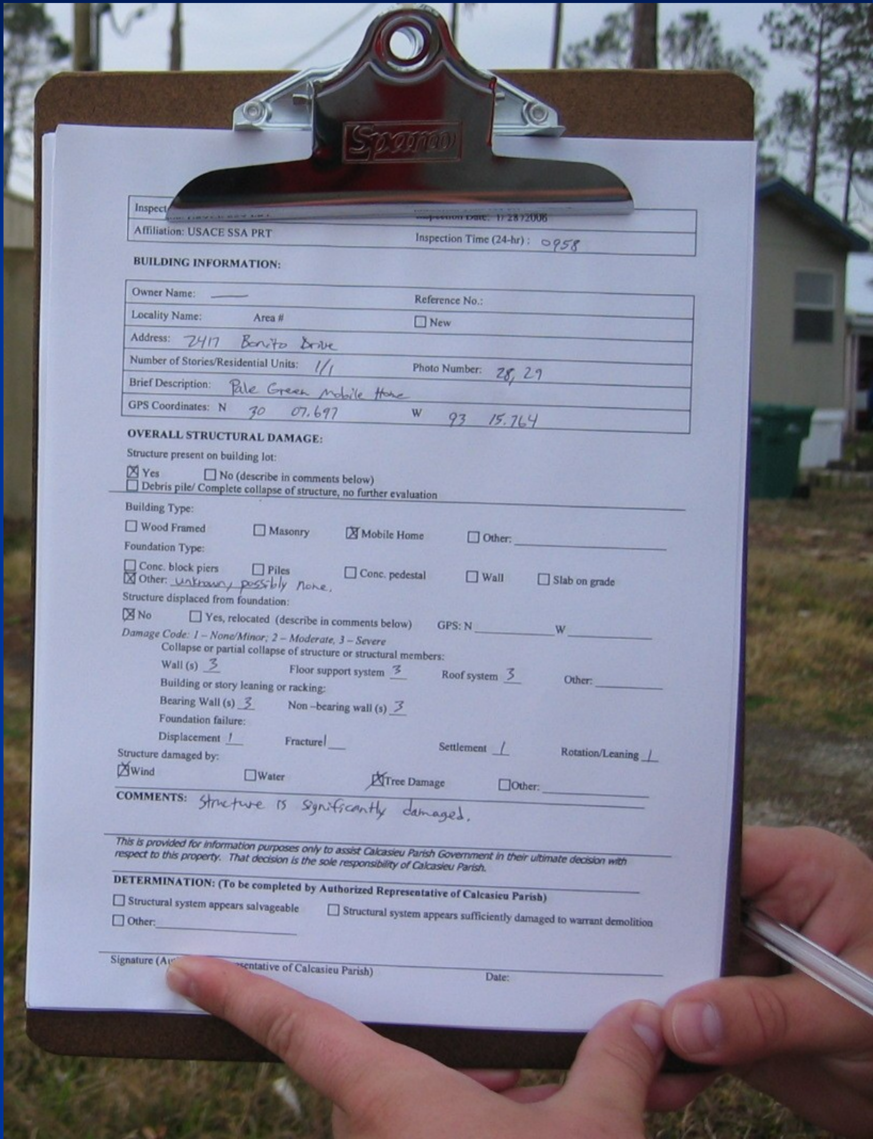
SSA – Vermilion

SSA – Calcasieu

- Managed Corps Inspectors
- Obtained local maps
- Coordinated inspection requirements with Parish Engineer – most damage due to tornado like winds
- Performed Inspections in localized areas with numerous structures, i.e. mobile home parks
- Provided results to Parish, Corps, and FEMA

SSA - Calcasieu





Inspect

Inspection Date: 1/28/2006

Affiliation: USACE SSA PRT

Inspection Time (24-hr) : 0958

BUILDING INFORMATION:

Owner Name: ——

Reference No.:

Locality Name: Area #

☐ New

Address: 2417 Bonito Drive

Number of Stories/Residential Units: 1/1

Photo Number: 28, 29

Brief Description: Pale Green Mobile Home

GPS Coordinates: N 30 07.697 W 93 15.764

OVERALL STRUCTURAL DAMAGE:

Structure present on building lot:

☒ Yes ☐ No (describe in comments below)
☐ Debris pile/ Complete collapse of structure, no further evaluation

Building Type:

☐ Wood Framed ☐ Masonry ☒ Mobile Home ☐ Other: ____

Foundation Type:

☐ Conc. block piers ☐ Piles ☐ Conc. pedestal ☐ Wall ☐ Slab on grade
☒ Other: unknown, possibly none.

Structure displaced from foundation:

☒ No ☐ Yes, relocated (describe in comments below) GPS: N ____ W ____

Damage Code: 1 – None/Minor; 2 – Moderate, 3 – Severe

Collapse or partial collapse of structure or structural members:

Wall (s) 3 Floor support system 3 Roof system 3 Other: ____

Building or story leaning or racking:

Bearing Wall (s) 3 Non –bearing wall (s) 3

Foundation failure:

Displacement 1 Fracture ____ Settlement 1 Rotation/Leaning 1

Structure damaged by:

☒ Wind ☐ Water ☒ Tree Damage ☐ Other: ____

COMMENTS: Structure is significantly damaged.

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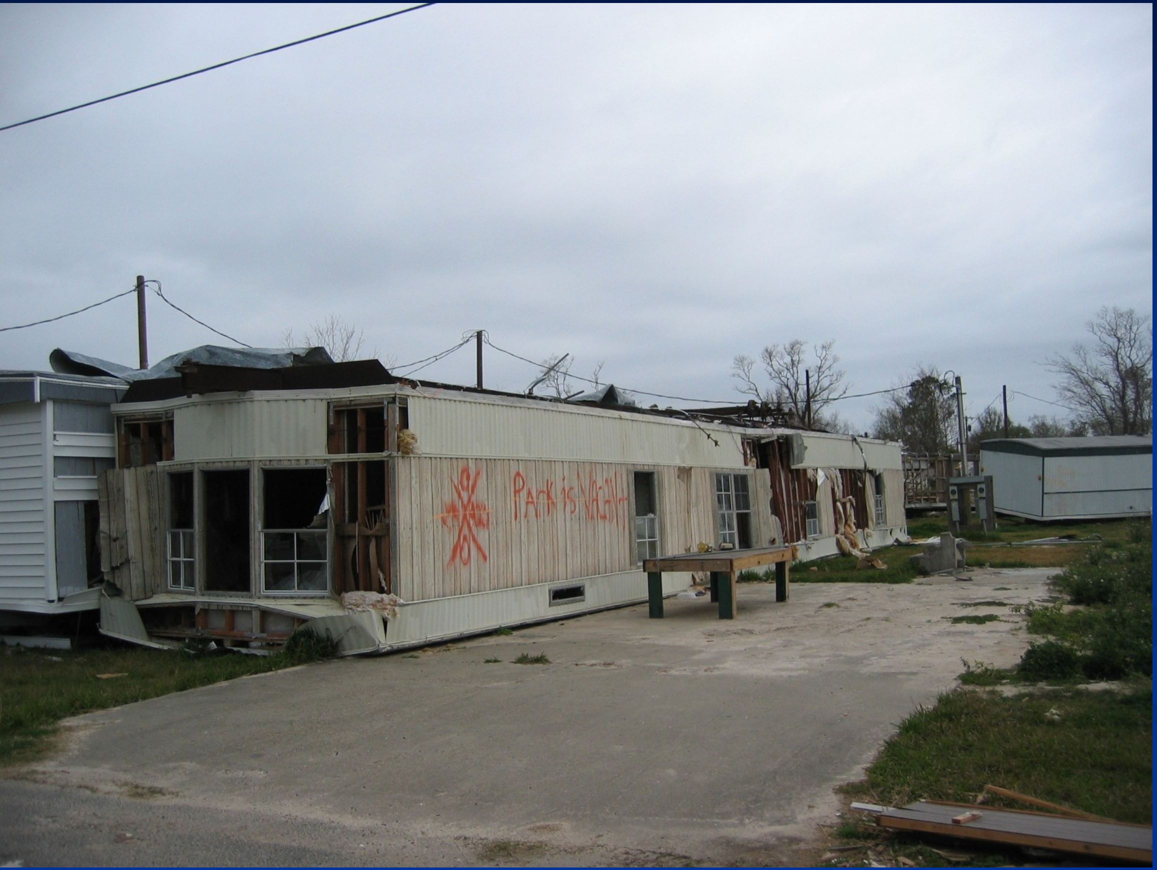
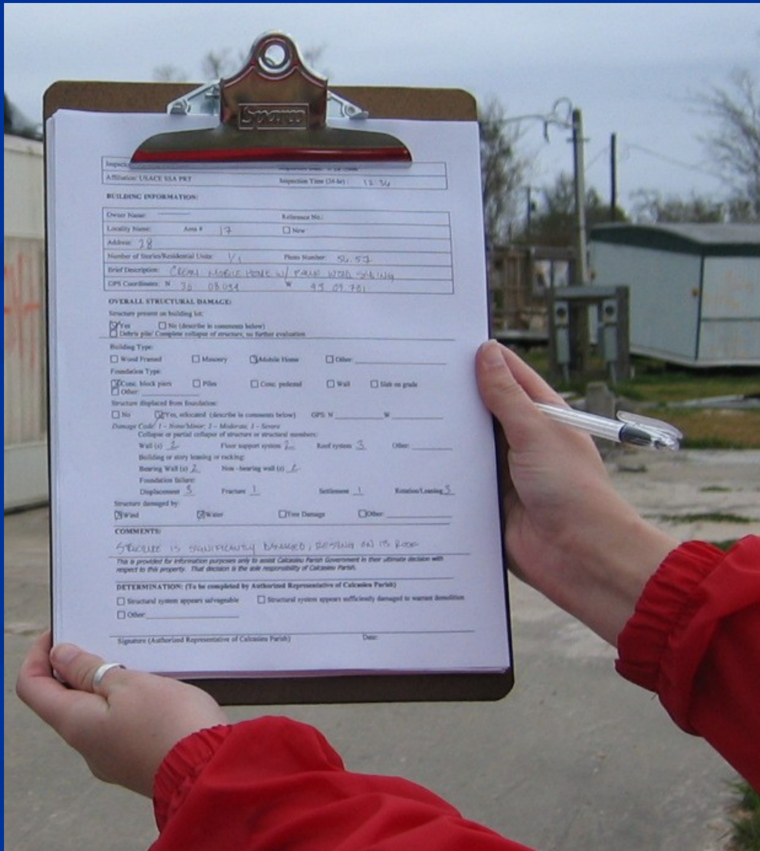
DETERMINATION: (To be completed by Authorized Representative of Calcasieu Parish)

☐ Structural system appears salvageable ☐ Structural system appears sufficiently damaged to warrant demolition
☐ Other: ____

Signature (Au[illegible]sentative of Calcasieu Parish) Date:

SSA - Calcasieu





Affiliation: USACE SSA PRT
Inspection Time (24-hr): 12:36

BUILDING INFORMATION:

Owner Name: ———
Reference No.:
Locality Name: Area # 17 ☐ New
Address: 28
Number of Stories/Residential Units: 1/1 Photo Number: 56.57
Brief Description: CREAM MOBILE HOME W/ FAUX WOOD SIDING
GPS Coordinates: N 30 08.034 W 93 09.781

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Structure present on building lot:
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☐ Other: ________

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Bearing Wall (s) 2 Non-bearing wall (s) 2
Foundation failure:
Displacement 3 Fracture 1 Settlement 1 Rotation/Leaning 3

Structure damaged by:
☒ Wind ☒ Water ☐ Tree Damage ☐ Other: ________

COMMENTS:

STRUCTURE IS SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED, RESTING ON ITS ROOF

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QUESTIONS???